



# DETROIT EAST DISTRICT LAY SPEAKERS COURSE

## PREPARING FOR LAY MINISTRY

- Study the Scriptures
- Improve Your Public Speaking
- Learn the Organization of the Church
  - Fall -- A three Saturday commitment
  - Winter -- A Seven Sunday Time Commitment

### WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?

- Spiritual growth
- Study the scriptures with other United Methodists
- Understand the organization of the church
- Personal Growth
- Increase confidence in public speaking
- Increase your ability to share your faith

### WHAT YOU DO AFTER TRAINING

- Lead devotions
  - Organize and lead Bible study groups
  - Lead youth meetings and adult classes
  - Conduct camp services
  - Deliver the worship service message
- (You need not do all of the above, of course.)

- To be recognized as **Local Church Lay Speaker**, you must complete the Basic Course in Lay Speaking.
- To be recognized as a **Certified Lay Speaker**, you must complete the Basic Course and the Advanced Course in Lay Speaking. You must also complete a Continuing Development Course at least once every three years in order to maintain your certification.

### THE DETROIT EAST DISTRICT TRAINING COURSE

The **2009 fall** course will be held from **9 am to 3 pm** on three Saturdays (September 26, October 31, and November 21 2009) with an orientation meeting on August 29 from 10 to noon. Orientation at Fellowship UMC, 4050 Coolidge Hwy just north of Wattles (17 Mile Rd) Troy. Class location will be advised at orientation. The **2010 winter** course will be held on seven Sundays (**February, 14, 21, & 28, March 7, 14, 21, & 28**) at Fellowship UMC in Troy. Classes will meet from **2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

### APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

Yes, please register me for the **FALL 2009** \_\_\_\_\_ **WINTER 2010** \_\_\_\_\_

- Basic Course: I have never attended a Lay Speakers Course before \_\_\_\_\_
- Youth Class (9<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) \_\_\_\_\_ (minimum of five needed. Contact Phyllis for options)
- I last attended a Lay Speakers Course in (note year of last completed a course) \_\_\_\_\_  
I am prepared for the Advanced (second) Course (  ) The Continuing Development (third) Course (  )

COST: Registration \$35.00 per person. (pre-registration by August 20/February 4 ensures that we will have books for you)  
**(Please make checks payable to Detroit East District)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Your church \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

**For additional information, questions or correspondence, please contact:**

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**PLEASE NOTE: Child care is not available. While we love our children, we are not prepared to meet Conference regulations for approved child care. Please make your own arrangements.**